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SIX HOURS OF FIGURES.

The Statistical Grandeur of Mr. Rufus Isaacs's Speech in the Whitaker Wright Trial.

The continuation of Mr. Rufus Isaacs's final speech in the prosecution of Mr. Whitaker Wright took up the whole of yesterday.

Other forensic speeches on record have been longer; but never, it is generally agreed in legal and financial circles, has there been a speech delivered so rich in figures, so replete with intricate detail.

While Mr. Isaacs was making this remarkable speech he adopted all the graceful poses for which he is famed at the Bar. He leant forward argumentatively, and he reclined against the desk behind persuasively. But whether he balanced himself on his left or on his right foot, whether he supported himself by his hands or by the small of his back, his attitude was always most elegant.

Mr. Isaacs's tones were also varied, but they were not as varied as his poses. Occasionally indignation caused his voice to ring out loud; more often, however, he confined himself to his clear dispassionate method.

The Speech Dissected.

Here are some statistics about one of the finest statistical speeches on record:—

Exact duration of speech: Six hours and twenty minutes.

Average rate of speaking: 130 words a minute.

Average number of words an hour: 7,800.

Average number of times that the word "shares" occurred in any one hour: 399.

Grand aggregate, by the rough computation of an accountant present, of all the figures quoted: 12,000,000,000.

Energy expended in gesture (this calculation is by a mining engineer): Sufficient to raise one Moorfort share 32½% above par.

Total length of the words of the speech put end to end: A distance that would reach three times round the Loddon Valley.

During the speech Mr. Whitaker Wright made a number of notes which, it is expected, Mr. Lawson Walton will find useful when he delivers his own final speech on Monday.

The Financier Restless.

The great financier was a little restless whenever Mr. Isaacs passed through one of his complimentary moods. Mr. Wright then would shake his head and mutter remonstrances to Mr. George Lewis.

Mr. Justice Bigham, who had been listening to Mr. Isaacs in an attitude of dignified judicial appreciation, asked at the conclusion of the speech if Mr. Walton would like to use an hour that remained for the beginning of his own speech. The latter, however, replied that he would prefer to make a fair start on Monday—for it had been arranged that the jury should have their "Saturday off." To Monday morning accordingly the further hearing was adjourned.

SEVERE ON THE EX-VICAR.

Sir Francis Jeune Refuses to Allow His Divorce to Stand.

Sir Francis Jeune yesterday annulled the decree nisi which he had granted to Mr. David Evans, formerly vicar of St. Mark's, South Shields, in the Divorce Court in July, 1902. Thus the intervention of the King's Proctor, who held that the decree should not be made absolute as Mr. Evans's behaviour had conducted to his wife's misconduct—this having formed the ground of the divorce petition—has been justified.

Sir Francis Jeune, in giving his decision, said he could have no doubt that material facts in the case were not brought before the Court at the hearing of the divorce suit.

Mr. Evans's conduct was extremely bad. Here was a man, who had been a clergyman, with an obligation imposed upon him which he neglected, who continued an outrageous drunkard and made accusations against the woman he ought to have protected, of the most offensive kind, and by such conduct forced her to leave him.

The decree nisi must be rescinded, and the petition dismissed, with costs against Mr. Evans.

AN EVASIVE LODGER.

"I must live somehow," is a common whine amongst the thieves who are brought day by day before London magistrates, but in the methods of Arthur Roberts, who made that excuse at North London yesterday, there was nothing so indefinite as "somehow."

He would take a room in a house, and if there was anything worth stealing he decamped with it next morning. This had happened in several cases, and the magistrate thought nine months' hard labour would meet the case.

IRISH MURDER MYSTERY.

The Clones murder case, interesting from certain features recalled the Mait murder, was resumed yesterday, when Joseph Fee was again brought up.

A man named Flanagan disappeared last April, and his body was found last December buried in a manure pit.

Medical evidence showed that death was caused by a knife wound on the back of the head, and was instantaneous.

The prisoner was committed for trial.

Police Magistrate Points Out That While the Town Suffers from Lack of Work, the Country Calls in Vain for Kinds of Labour in Which Townsmen Are of Little Use.

Carlyle's problem of getting the superfluous shirts on the superfluous bare backs is at least equalled in difficulty by the proper adjustment of work and labourers in England.

In London there are many unemployed; in the country they are crying out for labourers. Yet, as Mr. Fordham pointed out yesterday at the North London Police Court, the superfluous labour in London does not transfer itself to the rural district.

Mr. Fordham, who had to consider various summonses for non-payment of orders for the maintenance of children in industrial schools, was met by the plea of "no work."

"Londoners of Little Use."

Thereupon he philosophised thus:—

"It is a singular fact that whilst work is scarce in London labour is scarce in the country. But you Londoners are of little use in the country. Many a man could now find 15s. or 14s. a week in the country, which, I am told, is worth 24s. a week in London."

"But you chaps don't understand the country work—you could not put a horse in a cart. It is an odd condition of things."

"But there is very little use in telling the young men in the country that the streets of

and unskilled labour, who pass through their hands."

An example this week is the case of a smith's hammerman, who can also work as a tool-smith or jobbing smith. After seeking for work in vain, and when his own resources were exhausted, this man asked the aid of the Church Army. He is a strong, powerful man, with toil-worn hands, and cheeks hollow with semi-starvation. He has a wife and child sitting hungry at home.

An agent of the society spent a day in going about with this man looking for work, but everywhere the tale was the same. "Trade so slack that hands are being discharged, and no fresh ones can be taken on."

This, says the Church Army, which is only one instance chosen almost at random out of hundreds, is not the case of a drunken loafer or professional "out-of-work," but a steady man who will work if he can get the chance. People interested are asked to communicate with the headquarters of the Church Army, 130, Edgware-road, W.

Scorn for "Tuppenny Ha'penny Jobs."

A few days ago a woman named Rebecca Howell was charged at the Mansion House with exposing her children of five and nine in a way likely to injure their health. The children had been begging, and it appeared in the course of



This would be a familiar figure in the Law Courts if Miss Cave had her way.

London are not paved with gold. They leave their village and come to London—some stay and some return, and they find their excuse in the fact that there are no big public-houses or music-halls in the country.

"But I don't if in the end they are much happier after long days of work, and then what they call nights of pleasure."

"The problem of the unemployed is hard to solve, and it will ever be so as long as the young men from the country flock to the towns, and take the places of those men who are unfit for the country work."

These remarks are accentuated by a statement that the officers of the Church Army report most unusual difficulty in finding employment for the great numbers of men, representing both skilled

and unskilled labour, who pass through their hands."

The case was adjourned, as it was considered one for the intervention of the Mansion House Unemployed Committee.

A constable yesterday stated that he had been two or three times to the room, and, finally, found the husband drunk. He declined to go to the address of a firm which might employ him, saying he didn't want "tuppenny ha'penny jobs."

He used exceedingly abusive language to the constable, and, as he was leaving, remarked, "I'll drink every ha'penny I can get."

Though the wife said she "didn't like to part with the children," they were remanded with a view to their being sent to an industrial home.

Agnes Wilson went on living with George Reuben Budd, although he treated her badly, but she had to sue him for assault. "I see," said Mr. Sheil, "that he has given you some marks of affection."

George Stanley Banks seems to have had plenty of cheek. He represented that Mr. Chamberlain engaged him to give fiscal lectures, and so obtained food and lodging. Mr. Chamberlain's private secretary, called as a witness, gave an emphatic denial, and Banks received three months' imprisonment.

"A MOST ODISIOUS CHARGE"

Which a Jury Find Justified Against an Ex-Member of Parliament.

The action against Mr. Harry Seymour Foster, formerly Member of Parliament for Lowestoft, to recover £1,500, which it was alleged he had received as a secret commission in connection with the sale of an estate, was brought to a special session before Mr. Justice Grantham and a special jury, in the King's Bench Division yesterday.

Colonel Stewart, Major Percy, and Mr. Frederick Soames, after the failure of his executor, Mr. Samuel Soames, were the plaintiffs. Mr. Foster had been appointed a receiver by a writ issued by the Court of Chancery for the administration of an estate in Ceylon, which had belonged to Mr. Soames. This estate Mr. Foster eventually sold to a Mr. Vandarspar for £28,250.

At the commencement of the day's proceedings Mr. Foster had gone into the witness-box, and stated that he was Deputy-Lieutenant for Suffolk and Consul-General for Persia.

He vacated his position as receiver in June, 1902, and in the following May he was awarded by Registrar Linklater's judgment a sum of £1,500 in remuneration for his services.

Nothing Secret About It.

There was nothing secret about his transaction with Mr. Vandarspar, though in the prosecution he was charged with taking a secret commission, and a most odious charge.

Mr. Lush (for the plaintiffs): I do charge this gentleman with taking a secret commission, and I say that now, as I do not wish there should be any difficulty in the matter.

Mr. Foster went on to say that Colonel Stewart asked him whether the offer of £28,000 by Vandarspar was bona fide. He gave Colonel Stewart the best information he could, and added that he had agreed to assist Vandarspar to raise his capital. Subsequently an agreement was made by which Vandarspar signed as to what was done in case a syndicate was formed to develop the property.

The arrangement was that Mr. Foster's share should be half the profit in consideration of his procuring half the capital for the purchase of the property and its development by a company.

His Own and Counsel's Achievements.

Afterwards he discovered that a company had been formed with a capital of £100,000, and he once communicated with Vandarspar and his solicitors, and he then agreed to accept £2,000 in discharge of his claims. Ultimately it was settled by a payment to him of £1,500.

He had promoted some thirty companies, and he thought the success of them would bear favourable comparison with the cases won and lost by Mr. Lush.

In his own language, Mr. Foster added, he should say he was paid £1,500 by Vandarspar in damages for breach of contract.

After an absence of an hour the jury found a verdict for the plaintiffs, and his lordship gave judgment accordingly.

COMING LEGAL STORM.

Private Detectives Charged with Gross Misconduct in a Divorce Case.

We understand that a most unusual and sensational case will shortly be heard in the Divorce Court. The King's Proctor, intervening in a case recently heard, is making allegations of gross misconduct against a London solicitor, a firm of well-known private detectives, and their manager.

The methods by which the wife to be divorced collected evidence to enable a divorce to be granted, her divorce will be severely questioned, and the words of Mr. Deane, K.C., counsel for the lady, the King's Proctor's allegations and reflections on the honour of the solicitor and private detectives concerned, and practically amount to a charge of conspiracy.

Such a grave charge will be of interest to the public, apart from the merits of the particular case, for, question, it is obvious that a great deal of money, agency, well supplied with money, which is a source of power, and if its directors were unscrupulous, it is easily conceivable that evidence might be collected to enable a wife to secure a divorce without against a perfectly innocent man.

"Suppose a man with money wanted to get a woman to get a divorce from her husband, and he said to a private detective, 'I will give you £1,000 if you can get me a divorce, take him to see your views on the subject, if he might send him to an agency carte blanche, they might send him to see the husband's acquaintance, and introduce him to an evening's amusement, and he would be a very good person, who, taking a somewhat lax view of morality, would swear that he had been guilty of the offence which would secure the wife her divorce.'

PITY THE POOR BAILIFF.

One after another the bailiffs applying at Bury County Court for renewal of licences were refused. At last one old man varied the monotony; he was summoned for an illegal divorce. But not being able to recover a farthing—

Judge Bacon: I am sorry for you, and I hope you may recoup yourself.

Applicant: I hope so, too, your Honour, but I can assure you a bailiff's life is not a happy one.

"Stealing eggs," declared Mr. Fordham yesterday, "might seem a trifling offence, but it got them two months' hard labour each."

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ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF. The Russian Czar, who is trying to be the Russian Empire in the Far East.

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Another Disc Found—F

Still to Seek.

Champion of treasure-finders is the "Weekly Dispatch" representative who has found the precious £10 medallion which had been published, and it is now announced that Margate was to be thus favoured.

Mr. Mansel, walking along the coast, was discussing the topic of the medallion when he saw something on the chalk-dust at his feet. "Why, there it is!" he exclaimed, and another medallion has been found.

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ADMIRAL ALEXEIEFF, The Russian Clive, who is trying to build up a New Muscovite Empire in the Far East.

TREASURE FOR ALL.

Another Disc Found—Forty-four Still to Seek.

Champion of treasure-hunters is Mr. A. J. Margate, a retired butcher, living at Broadstairs. The "Weekly Dispatch" representative had only one of the precious £10 medallion at Margate. He announced that Margate was one of the ten to be thus favoured.

Mr. Margate, walking along the cliffs with his wife, was discussing the topic of the day and the medallion when he saw something bright shining in the chalk-dust at his feet.

"Why, there it is!" he exclaimed. And his wife proved correct. He has received the ten pounds and another medallion has been hidden in the same place.

This demonstrates convincingly how easily the medallions are to be found if only the seekers go to the right places. There is no need to dig deeply for them, or to damage public property in the process.

There are still fifteen medallions, each worth £50, hidden in London, while discs of various values have been hidden in many provincial cities.



ADMIRAL SIR NOWELL SALMON, who is the death of Sir Harry Keppel, becomes the Father of the Fleet. (Gregory.)

The following is a complete list of the places where the treasure is still awaiting discovery:—

- Lower Clapton. Bradford.
- Hermandsey. Nottingham.
- Wandsworth. Exeter.
- Enfield. Luton.
- Croydon. Brighton.
- Gravesend. Bristol.
- Manchester. Chatham.
- Reading. Ramsgate.
- Swindon. Margate.
- Birmingham. Coventry.
- Liverpool. Cardiff.
- Leeds. Newport.
- Hull. Belfast.
- Ruddersfield.

£50 discs have already been found in London, and others also at Margate, Bristol, and Luton, making, in all, £310 that

has been paid to lucky finders of medallions within the past ten days.

As will be seen from this list, the Sister Isle is now receiving attention from the treasure distributors. All parts of England are being given an equal chance to search after the mystic medallions, and within a few hours the districts surrounding Belfast and Dublin will be reading with amazement that all they have to do is to look about and pick up gold in fabulous amounts.

Three thousand pounds is the colossal sum now actually hidden in London and the provinces, and in its issue this week the "Weekly Dispatch" will give the names of the towns and cities visited by gold-bearing messengers, name the amounts hidden in each, and, in addition, give such clear clues that it will require but the simple reading and the careful following to find the money. It may also be added that it will be the one that has enough ambition to get there early that will be rewarded.

UP-TO-DATE CARRIAGE ACCIDENT.

A chauffeur's life is not always a happy one. It is he who usually suffers when anything happens to the car he is driving; as witness a serious motor-car accident that has occurred at Sunningdale Railway Station, on the road between London and Aldershot.

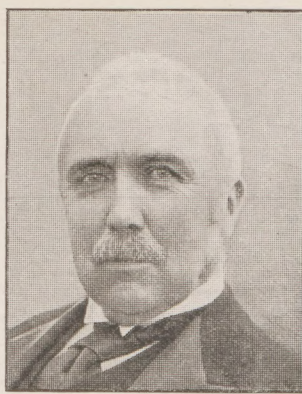
Taking a turning that was made more perilous by the gates of a level crossing, chauffeur Seamore was thrown out of a 24-h.p. Mors car about 1.15 in the early morning and sustained injuries which rendered him unconscious for several hours.

His companions, Sq.-S.-M. Hubbard and S.-S.-M. Dore, both of the 14th Hussars, escaped uninjured. The machine is a complete wreck.

WAR VETERAN KILLED IN THE STREET.

After long years of military service, Mr. Richard Locke, seventy-nine years old, has died from the effects of a cab accident.

He was formerly Colonel in the 72nd High-



SIR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN, Who presided at the meeting of the "Eighty Club" last night.

(Photo by Russell & Sons.)

LONDON'S GREAT PUZZLE.

Bewildering Problem of the Traffic in the City.

Captain Nott-Bower, Commissioner of the City Police, opposes the suggestion of a tramway along the embankment and across Blackfriars Bridge.

Giving evidence yesterday at the Royal Commission on London Traffic, he said the proposal

SMALL BOYS' SPORT.

The small boy of Greenwich knows his power, and though the new electric trams which the London County Council started running in his district last Saturday are cars of most dignified and imposing appearance, he, taking his cue from other small boys who have done the same thing with much success in Clapham and Tooting, shows no respect, and drops small pieces of iron into the



M. DE WITTE.

President of the Russian Ministerial Council, who is again taking a prominent part in the Far Eastern question. It will be remembered that M. de Witte is responsible for accumulating a vast store of wealth in the Russian War Chest.

THE BURIAL OF ADMIRAL KEPPEL, "BEST AND BRAVEST OF MEN."



Queen Alexandra wrote of him as her "Beloved Little Admiral"—one of the shortest and most touching tributes ever penned by a generous-hearted Sovereign to a worthy subject.

(Photo by Russell & Sons.)

landers, and at the inquest yesterday it was stated that he was knocked down by a hansom in Regent-street, near Jermyn-street. He had started to cross the street, but ran back, right under the horse's head.

Colonel Rock afterwards died of heart failure. Accidental Death was the verdict.

VETO ON SUNDAY GOLF.

In the Fen country the "unco' guid" seem to have triumphed, and it is proposed to discontinue Sunday golf at Cleithorpes, the Lincolnshire seaside resort.

At a meeting of the urban council a draft of a proposed agreement leasing the links to the Grimsby Golf Club was read. This contained a special clause prohibiting play on Sundays, and the club are invited to sign this.

BURIED IN A RUBBISH HEAP.

While raking over a quantity of rubbish in a Fulham Borough Council's dust destructor a workman found the nude body of a baby.

At the coroner's inquest yesterday it was stated that a servant girl had been detained for treatment at the Fulham Infirmary. She had been removed there from a house in which the dust had been collected. She had made no statement to the police. There was nothing to account for the child's death except want of attention at birth. The coroner ordered an adjournment.

was most inadvisable and injudicious, and would introduce an added element of danger. The strongest possible opposition was felt by the police to the idea of a tramway north and south, via New Bridge-street and Farringdon-street, and he preferred not to have tramways in the City at all.

Captain Nott-Bower gave the number of vehicles entering the City between eight a.m. and eight p.m., on October 2 last, as 86,750, while 70,613 pedestrians used Fleet-street, and 16,833 the Victoria Embankment. No fewer than 11,151 cabs entered the City during twelve hours.

Supt. Francis added the following figures of vehicles passing the undermentioned points between the hours of eight a.m. and eight p.m. on November 27, 1903:—

Place.	Omni-buses.	Cabs.	Other Vehicles.	Total.
Mansion House	8,391	8,395	12,389	29,745
Mansion House Station	3,809	6,819	10,391	21,019
Ludgate-circus	4,742	3,763	17,217	25,722

This witness was against subways or bridges for vehicles at busy crossings, and considered that the provision of further subways for pedestrians would be a waste of money, having regard to the very limited use made of those already existing, more particularly those in front of the Mansion House, where, if anywhere, they were a real necessity. Old people did not care for the stairs, and young people as a rule preferred to trust to their own resources to cross the street. Only about 10 per cent. use the subways provided.

A protest was made against the breaking up of streets by lighting and other companies almost immediately after they have been laid at great expense.

conduits. The natural consequences are short circuits, disorganised tram service, jubilant small boys.



MR. RUFUS ISAACS, K.C.,

who made a great speech in the Whitaker Wright case yesterday. (Photo by) Elliot & Fry.

DIRTY London



is as glaringly conspicuous as a bull's-eye on a target.

There was a mild excitement in the shop. The hat ironer smiled contemptuously at the immaculate young man whose business it was to sell. There was evidently some rivalry between the two.

"This is my season," explained the ironer. "He hasn't sold a hat for a week. Nobody buys a new hat this weather. But as for me—well, I won't say that I've actually worn my ironers out, but I shouldn't care to be any busier. I reckon that I iron three hats, while this weather is about, for every one I iron in the ordinary way."

But our colleague's glory was short-lived. Down the street came what at first sight appeared to be a runaway heap of mud. Mud ran off it from every corner, and mud literally squirted from the road as it passed.

When it had gone by, our philosopher had given up all hopes of appearing even approximately clean.

"What would happen when that motor-car got back to its garage? The question piqued our representative."

"Mud?" said the manager. "Did you say 'mud'? It's just beyond words. I charge half a



PITY THE POOR MUDDY MOTORIST.

crown to clean a motor, and after a day like this it costs me four-and-six. You can't imagine what they're like."

At that very moment one came in. As the manager said, imagination is useless. You've got to see it. The mud hung in fountains. And then the driver got out, and the Mirror man forgot his own troubles.

Nothing less than a hoe and a hose-pipe would have made any impression on that perambulating pillar of mud. It was an absolute fraud on the County Council. The man was deliberately stealing London.

What about cabs? It is impossible to repeat the language that was used on the subject in a cab-yard.

Three cab-washers looked down at the mud, then at each other, and laughed. Then one swore, and they laughed again.

"Gunner, it's no good. 'Ave you ever washed a cab after a day like this? 'Cause if not, it's useless tellin' yer. 'Sept when a road's got new wood down and the tar's worked up, this tops it all. We've got eight extra 'ands in the yard, but 'eaven only knows when we'll get done to-morrow mornin'."

The 'bus-washers had more to say, but it all amounted to the same thing. Mud was their special bane, and they got lots of it. Two men are paid four shillings each a week for each 'bus, and they average about 36s. a week. "Think of nine 'buses to-night, and then try and think what mud means."

And the horsekeepers are no better off, for you

can clean a horse in twenty minutes in summer, but it's an hour's work on a muddy day.

The mud problem does not stop out of doors, as the Mirror's special correspondent discovered later.

Valets are holding mass meetings to protest against the extra brushing of clothes.

The poor little maid-of-all-work, the always slighted but still necessary "general," is moved almost to tears as she surveys a row of boots which might have been worn by a ploughman.

Brushing? Her arm aches with it. How many more sets of boot brushes is she to wear out this season? And then look at the hall carpet. Ugh!

ROYAL MOVEMENTS.

The King, the Prince of Wales, and other members of the Royal Family will shoot over the coverts in the vicinity of Highstanding Hill, Windsor Great Park, to-day.

The King and Queen will return to London on Monday, February 1, and will remain until February 8.

Already the work of preparing for the wedding of Princess Alice of Albany and Prince Alexander of Teck in St. George's Chapel, Windsor, has been begun.

At the west end entrance of the building workmen have in hand the construction of a covered way 13ft. in width. Resting upon the roadway which separates the cloister from the chapel will be a pavilion 54ft. in length and about 16ft. wide. The Royal bride and bridegroom will alight here on their arrival from the Castle, the pavilion, of course, being handsomely decorated.

WHY WOMEN FALL.

The Duchess of Sutherland, in a letter to to-day's "Spectator," declares that the remedy for the shocking immorality prevalent in the Potteries district is "an increase in the sentiment of good citizenship."

The evils deplored, the Duchess says, "most unfortunately exist as long as women's labour is carried on under its present economic conditions, for home life remains practically non-existent, and from girlhood to middle—even old—age women have to face the stress and strain,

"I never saw the blanket and posts," observed the soldier, "but I often saw the married quarters. There was one in each corner of the room where I was stationed in Cork. I was single, and I occupied the place of honour between the door and the coal-scuttle. There were seven other single 'Tommy's' in that room. You may remember, sir, the Portsmouth Colonel, 'they were the worst in the country, worse than any I've seen abroad.'"

But though bad barracks, as Mr. Foster says, may deter enlisting, unfair pay will do so more. Tommy can't forget that the War Office has given him 1s. 2d. a day for all his drill and experience, and gave 5s. a day to the men they picked up to go out, who could neither ride a horse nor let off a gun much as a pop-gun.

TOMMY'S LUCK IN BARRACKS.

Accommodation that Handicaps the Recruiting Sergeant.

Perhaps Mr. Arnold Forster had Hounslow Barracks in mind when he said on Thursday night, "Our barracks are bad. They have not advanced with the progress of civilisation." Certainly, any barracks would deter a man from enlisting who would be Hounslow.

Hearing from an officer that the barracks were "similar to those of forty or fifty years ago," the Daily Mirror representative visited Hounslow yesterday, and found that both the grounds and quarters were much neglected.

The married quarters are very bad. The new block has been added, but the old blocks are still full. Of these, the cavalry quarters are by far the worst. The drains of all blocks are defective, and only recently, a dirty brown blanket articles as old shirts, socks, and rags were found blocking the pipes. The whole drainage system is out of date, and, though constantly being put up and repaired, is never replaced by a better system.

Whether the water, as well as the drainage, had cannot be said, but it is a fact that numbers of the children in the married quarters have been suffering from an infectious disease, and several have been removed to the hospital.

Couple in Each Corner.

The paths, walks, and squares at Hounslow are also in a filthy condition, and have never received any proper attention.

But at the new barracks, happily, it is very different. "They are palaces compared to the old ones," said a colonel, yesterday. "In the old times four posts and a dirty brown blanket served as 'married quarters.' Isn't that so?" said the officer, turning to his servant, an old pensioner.

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GAOL-BIRD'S PIECE OF CAKE.

There were about sixty of them—boys and girls watching a lantern entertainment in the Police Schoolroom in Southampton-row. Their father and mother were in prison, and the Bow-street Police Court missionary had invited them to tea.

The tea was over, and one of the little girls was sitting in a corner of the darkened room, watching no one was watching as she unfolded a soiled handkerchief and displayed a piece of cake to a companion sitting beside her.

"I'm goin' to save this for farver," she whispered, "because he's in a place where they can't have no cake or nuffink. He'll be glad of it when he comes out." Then she carefully stowed the treasured piece of cake away in her pocket.

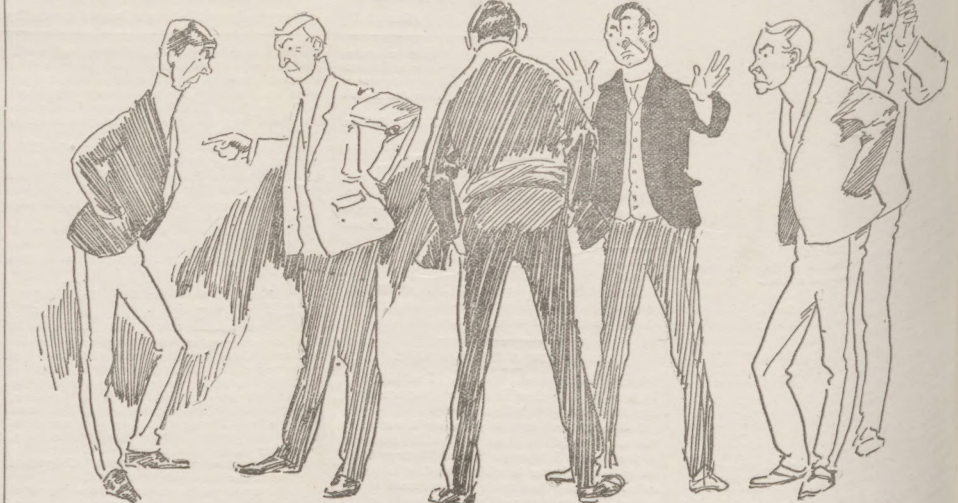
AN ISRAELITE, INDEED.

"I make this bequest to my son on absolute confidence that he will maintain his promise to his father that when he marries he will marry a girl of his Jewish creed and race, worthy to preserve in my will of a Cohen, a descendant of Aaron, the great high priest."

Alfred Louis Cohen, a late member of the Stock Exchange, has left estate to the value of £120,000 in trust and his son, with the above exhortation.

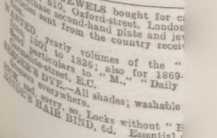
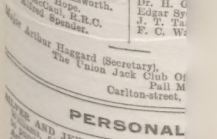
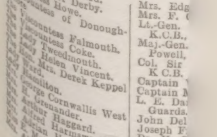
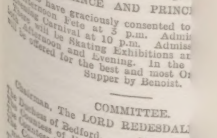
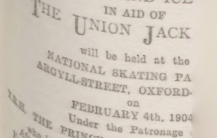
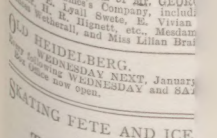
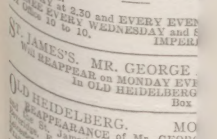
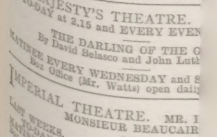
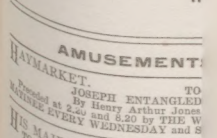
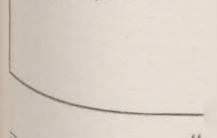
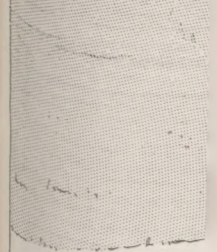
THE CUP THAT KILLED.

A resident of Ghent, visiting a friend, was asked to take a glass. He drank it off at one draught and died within half an hour. It was then discovered that, by mistake, his glass had been filled with wine, but with phenic acid.



Valets and Clothes Cleaners Hold Indignation Meetings Against the Prevailing State of Things.

A TA



NG PEOPLE-



THE TSARITSA.
Who is Reported Seriously Ill.
(Photo by Russell & Sons.)

IE DUKE'S DINNER.

less Who Will Smooth the
Way to Reconciliation.

fixed for the dinner which Lord Wim-
ing to signalise the union of the Duke
ire and the Liberal leaders in the in-

DEATH.



and Queen were present at a

ree trade is understood to be February 8.
re of Devonshire makes a speech for free
Guildhall on that day, and it is con-
it this would be the most fitting occasion
mal union of the free trade party, and
moving in the "inner circle" point that
the party. Nothing will be said about
will be no formal renunciation; it will
left alone. The only really ardent Home
Mr. John Morley, who believes in it;
cer and Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman
s part of their creed. They are too sub-
sant; but they will consent to forget
resis of the dinner is interesting. Lady Win-
is a Unionist free-trader. Lady Win-
in aunt of Mr. Winston Churchill, the
free-trader, and as the sister of Lord
ath (wife of the greatest of Liberal
y occupies a position between the two
y happy one.

MENTITIES OF POLITICS.

BUDAPEST, Friday.
ommittee of Privileges of the Lower House
ngarian Diet has sentenced M. Tolan
Kossuth Party) to be officially censured
position to the President's judgment shall be
has ordered that this judgment be
in the Deputy's constituency.
with swords has been fought by M.
romon, Secretary of State, and a Secre-
joyed in the Ministry of Finance. M.
ceived a wound in the right hand, which
el was the result of a private quarrel.

UBURBANITES FROM
actual number of electric railways in
ndoners can at present travel in small
already deriving certain benefits from the
many "tube" schemes are making good
towards completion.
g railway companies realise they must
coming competition, and it is now some-
e District reduced its fares. Now it
need that the Great Northern Company
e a general reduction in its ordinary fares
January 1.
also be possible to obtain third-class seats
between stations in the suburban district
g's Cross and the City, with facilities for
rs to use the intervening Metropolitan
without extra charge.

-AND EVENTS IN THE NEWS OF YESTERDAY.

WOMAN'S RESPONSIBILITY.

Drunk Mothers Held Guilty of a
Crime Against the Nation.

In a series of articles on "Physical Degenera-
tion," the "British Medical Journal" discusses the
important topic of drunkenness among women.
The increase of female drinkers, we are told,
may be ascribed to town life, with its overcrowd-
ing, machine-made work tending to rush, and its ac-
companying strain on the nervous system; while the
increased employment of women at daily work is
the cause of the neglect of infants. It is a common
practice for expectant mothers to take stimulants,
and in either case the children suffer. It has been
found that alcohol consumed by the mother passes,
as well as into the circulation of the unborn child,
and so directly produces injurious results.
A child born in gaol, where it is impossible for
the mother to obtain drink, often turns out better
than its brothers and sisters. Hereditary drunken-
ness may cause epilepsy, imbecility, and, finally,
madness of the family. It is believed that a
drunken father has a much less injurious effect
upon the physique of his offspring.

Told by One Leg.
The children of drunken women are born with all
kinds of deformities, mental and physical; they fill
prisons, and of their offspring 56 per cent. die at
birth, or before the age of two years. In the case
of women the percentage is only 26. The
children lack self-control and are neurotic, im-
patient, and hasty.
The number of drunkenness among women in Lon-
don appears to prove that it is increasing rapidly.
The number of drunken women apprehended in
the city was nearly double the number for 1892. Con-
siderable numbers of women are on the increase also in other
large cities. In Liverpool recently one woman was
found lying in the open street intoxicated with her
newborn child by her side, another, also
drunk, was carrying her child by one leg head-
wards, while a third had flung hers at a police-
man's feet. It is likely also that if a drunken mother give her
child more milk before going to sleep the baby may
be more or less stupefied by the alcohol in
the milk, and so fall an easy prey to gradual suffo-
cation. In Germany, where drunkenness among
women is rare, such deaths are almost unknown.

SACRIFICED TO SCIENCE.

Bacteriologist Loses His Life in
Plague Experiments.

The "Imperial Messenger," says Reuter, pub-
lishes the following: "On January 16 the Chief of
the Laboratory of the Imperial Institute of Experi-
mental Medicine for the Preparation of Plague
was taken ill after having been engaged
in experimenting with living plague cultures.
He died of plague on the 20th inst., in spite of



MISS SUSAN HICKS BEACH,
the daughter of the ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer, who posed as Britannia
for the new florin which is now being minted.

every medical assistance and repeated injections of
serum. Injections of the anti-plague
serum were made in good time on all persons who
came in contact with him.
The laboratory is in Fort Alexander I., which
is a small island completely isolated from Kron-
stadt and the other forts. Major-General Orbellani,
has been appointed to the command of Fort
Alexander, and arrived there on the 19th inst., and
the complete isolation of the staff of the

UNINTENTIONAL KINDNESS.
It is wonderful, says "Country Life," how
many and how quickly the pigeons have taken to
the new buildings of the Admiralty. They are
so numerous that the architect has adorned with
many birds and lodges rather as if he had the welfare
of the persons at heart, and they have not been
disturbed.

THE RECORD RUN—A CHINESE HONEYMOON.



Admiral Hi Lung in search of a bride for the Emperor. (Bartholomew Publishing Coy.)

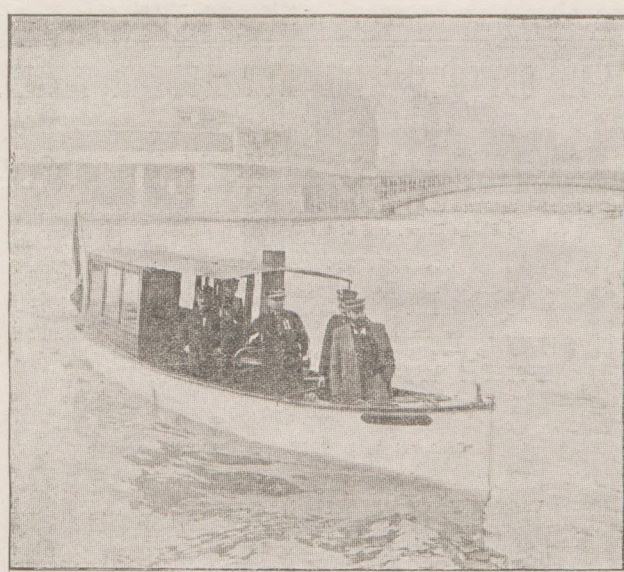
CLERGY CORNER THREEPENNY BITS.

The clergy of the little cathedral city of St.
David's, Pembrokeshire, have hit upon an in-
genious expedient for restraining the regular flow
of threepenny bits into the collection bag from
the pockets of their well-to-do congregations.
They have made a "corner" in these coins,
keeping in their own possession all that the offer-
tory produced; and as the nearest town is almost

FISCAL TEACHING BY POST.

"England expects every man to do his duty"
is the motto of a prospectus given to the Queen's
Hall audience after hearing Mr. Chamberlain's
Guildhall speech by telephonic.
"How can you honestly vote at the next election

if you cannot understand the fiscal question?" the
prospectus asks, and it proceeds to show how such
understanding can be gained.
The Progressive Correspondence College, of
Birkbeck Bank Chambers, is prepared to teach you
by post, sending a lesson in fiscalis every week,
and correcting your answers. The course costs 15s.



The specially designed high-speed patrol boat which is being built for the
suppression of poaching on the Seine. (Photo, Topley Press.)



THE NEW FLORIN,
for which Miss Susan Hicks Beach posed as
Britannia.

PROVOST PREFERS PRIVATE HANGING

The city of Perth is greatly concerned about the
portrait of an ex-Lord Provost now on its way to
the Royal Scottish Academy. It is the local cus-
tom to honour the civic head on retiring from office
by having his portrait painted.
This, after having been duly presented, is
formally handed back to the city to be added to
the municipal collection. When, therefore, the ex-
Lord Provost said nothing about handing the por-
trait back to the authority at the presentation
there was no little surprise, but that did not hinder
the present holder of the office from thanking him
on behalf of the corporation for his gift.
Now, however, the ex-Lord Provost has intimat-
ed that he would like to keep the portrait "on
account of his family."

DEFECTIVE IN DETAILS.

It was somewhat curious in a case before the
magistrate at Lambeth yesterday that the prosecu-
tor had lost both hands, one of the prisoners had
lost one of his hands, and a witness, who was pres-
ent but was not called, was one-legged.

SCENES FROM "ALL THE YEAR ROUND," THE NEW ALHAMBRA BALLET.



It is produced with fireproof scenery, fireproof dancers, and incombustible "props." It tells the story of the year in dances and tableaux, Valentine's Day, April Fools' Day and other anniversaries being picturesquely typified.

FROM THE DRUNKARD'S DICTIONARY.

"What are the degrees of intoxication according to your idea?" asked Judge Bacon of a witness in the County Court yesterday. "Does 'jolly-like' come next to 'worse for liquor'?" Witness: Well, they weren't drunk enough to be called drunk in the street, but they weren't sober enough to go up a scaffold.

SELF-DIGGED GRAVE.

While digging a trench for a drain at Ely a labourer named Tomlin was buried alive through the collapse of the sides. Seven feet of earth had to be removed before a trace of him was found. As he was being extricated he exclaimed, "It's all over, I'm done for!" and he died before he could be got out.

KAISER AND QUEEN VICTORIA.

The German Emperor yesterday morning attended service in the English church, Berlin, on the occasion of the anniversary of the death of Queen Victoria. His Majesty was also present at the unveiling of memorial tablets to her late Majesty and the Empress Frederick.

£4,000,000 A YEAR.

At Glasgow yesterday Mr. Arthur Neilson, sole partner of Messrs. McDowall and Neilson, the broker, was examined in bankruptcy, covering his losses had been due to speculations, covering two years, in stocks, iron, copper, cotton, and wool. In one year his speculations reached four millions sterling.

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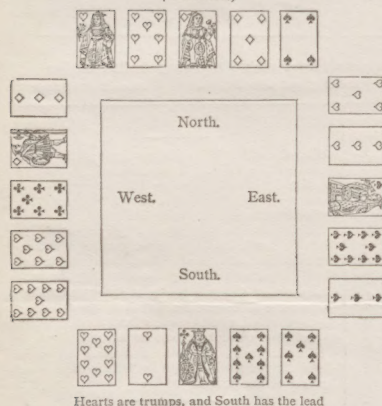
ON MONDAY NEXT

WE SHALL PUBLISH THE AWARD OF THE FIFTH WEEKLY COMPETITION.

Conducted by ERNEST BERGHOLT.

WEEKLY COMPETITION 6.—COUPON A.

(Enclosure.)



"Paris, Le 12 Janvier, 1904.
The Bridge Editor, Daily Mirror.

Sir,
I have composed the following little 5-card problem which you are welcome to use in one of your Weekly Competitions. To you, of course, I need not point out the solution; you will see that NS can win four tricks; but their composition will considerably astonish the novice, who will no doubt manage to lose one of them in the first attempt.

The problem is not difficult, but it has the merit of having only one solution, and that without any variations.

Yours, etc.,—"

Competitors are to write, on an ordinary sheet of notepaper, an imaginary reply to the above letter, criticising the problem enclosed, and using not more than 100 words in all. The letter must bear the same signature as is filled in upon this Coupon.

Name Address

WEEKLY COMPETITION 6.—COUPON B.

What would you do as Dealer, holding the three following hands at the specified scores? You may either declare or leave it:—

- At love all.....
- At love all.....
- At 1 game and love scored by you to love.....
- And what would you declare as Dummy, if it were left to you, holding the following hands at the specified scores?
At love scored by you to 1 game and 24.....
- At love scored by you to 1 game and love.....
- At game all and love all.....

INSTRUCTIONS AND RULES.

Cut out the above coupons A and B. Write your name and address in the spaces provided at foot of Coupon A. Fill in Coupon B with your replies to the questions asked; no reasons need be given. Write a criticism of the problem submitted in Coupon A, using not more than 100 words.

Enclose the whole with postal order for 1s. (crossed Barclay and Co.) to the "Bridge Editor, Daily Mirror, 2, Carmelite-street, London, E.C., in an envelope legibly marked above the address: WEEKLY BRIDGE COMPETITION No. 6.

No other communication or inquiry may be enclosed under the same cover.


For the replies received the Bridge Editor will award marks, according to merit, and his decision as to degree of merit shall be final.

The sum of TWENTY POUNDS will be divided among the competitors scoring the highest marks, and the ten competitors coming next in order of merit will each receive a Portland Bridge Case, as described above.

N.B.—All solutions must be posted so as to reach the office of the Daily Mirror not later than by the first post on the morning of Monday January 25.

Cambridge University and the Argyll Club Give a Splendid Exhibition at the National Skating Palace.

ON A CORAL REEF.



After the hockey

knocking of the sticks and the occasional gr-r-r of the skates as some one turns rapidly. The men and ball fly hither and thither at lightning speed, a player going backward as quickly as forward. Now and then a man tumbles down, and, travelling at such a rate, slides helplessly for yards. He scrambles quickly to his feet, but the game goes on at such a pace that in three seconds he is out of

Mr. J. W. Matthews, of Wyndham's Theatre, applied to Mr. Plowden for licences under the new Act to permit two children, Miss Innes Kerr and Walter Stafford, aged eleven and twelve respectively, to continue their performance in "Little Mary." Neither parents, doctors, nor police objected, and Mr. Plowden granted the licences.

Lord Alverstone was all for playing the game for the game's sake—as a recreation, and not as the chief business of life. Sport democratised and rendered possible to the poorest was the ideal that should be aimed at. He instanced the work of the London Playing Fields Association, and contrasted it with the crowds that sit idly and inane watching

Mr. Eustace Miles, the noted alliterate and vegetarian, mentioned that most of the strong men whose salient muscles terrified the public died of consumption. He advocated the development of the backward boy in preference to the boy who was sure of a place in the eleven or fifteen. The latter could look after himself, and, as things were, got into a tent in the army, or into a school, whereas it was really the other who needed it.

The Lord Chief Justice's summing-up was notable for a quite Pickwickian display of humour. He chaffed the Rev. Mr. Grundy and Mr. Isaacs, and said that so far as his experience went the only alliterate athlete in the country was a lady. Ladies were in question, never a match for the pale parate.

JAN. 23, 1904.

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